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The Honorable Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director, Central Intelligence
Agency

Dear Admiral Turner:

The enclosed report summarizes the results of our Government-wide review of how Federal departments and agencies resolve auditors' findings. It shows that significant administrative changes and accounting controls are needed to insure that Federal officials take corrective action as necessary on audit findings.

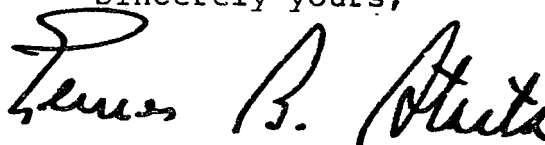
We are sending this report to you because its recommendations are addressed to each of the agencies[?] having audit staffs, and because information included in the report was obtained from one or more locations[✓] under your control.

As you know, section 236 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 requires the head of a Federal agency to submit a written statement on actions taken on our recommendations to the House Committee on Government Operations and the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs not later than 60 days after the[✓] date of the report and to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations with the agency's first request for[✓] appropriations made more than 60 days after the date of the report. We would appreciate receiving copies[✓] of those statements.[?]

We also wish to advise you that we asked the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Housing and Urban Development, Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and the Environmental Protection Agency, as well as the Office of Management and Budget for their comments on our draft report. As of October 23, 1978, some comments had not been received from these agencies. Consequently, agency comments along with our evaluation, will be issued under separate cover when they all have been received.

We appreciate the cooperation of your staff during this review.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James B. Stute". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Comptroller General
of the United States

Enclosure